elucidation is required, I might assure the House that my services are entirely at their disposal and I shall only be too glad to render whatever assistance that is required of me in this direction.

Accounts of 1103.

Though the budget estimates of revenue and expenditure for the year 1103, viz., Rs. 74,68,900 and Rs. 72,75,800 were expected to result in a surplus of Rs. 1,93,100 only, the actual transactions of the year, however, resulted in an increased surplus of Rs. 19,10,165, the total revenue and expenditure having been Rs. 86,24,293 and Rs. 67,14,128 respectively, thus showing an improvement of Rs. 17,17,065 in the surplus which was more or less anticipated when reviewing the revised estimates of 1103 at this time last year. I then said: "According to the revised estimates, the total revenue is fixed at Rs. 83,77,500 and the total expenditure is expected to be Rs. 71,83,600 thus raising the anticipated surplus to Rs. 11,93,900". The enhanced revenue was mainly brought about by the increase from 'Customs' under the Interportal Trade Convention, under 'Interest' owing to the collection of arrears and under 'Railway' on account of the increased traffic, while the fall from the anticipated expenditure was chiefly due to the fact that for several reasons the full budgetted programme of works could not be carried out in either the Agriculture and Panchayat or the Forests or the Public Works Departments. Other Departments also contributed to this decrease and I do not think it is necessary to dilate on this topic much further.

The State had, at the end of the year, a net asset of Rs. 75,81,753 after making due provision for all liabilities as against Rs. 56,71,588 at the beginning of the year. There were no loans outstanding at the beginning of the year nor were any fresh loans raised in the course of the year.

With these preliminary observations let me turn to the working of the current year.

Revised estimates of 1104.

The budget of the year, which is fast coming to a close, was framed on the expectation of realising a revenue of Rs. 77,06,200 and it provided for an aggregate expenditure of Rs. 74,16,400 leaving a surplus of Rs. 2,89,800. It is a matter for satisfaction that the revised estimate shows an improvement of Rs. 10,82,200 in revenue, the total revenue which is expected to be realised by the end of the year being Rs. 87,88,400. An increase in expenditure of Rs. 91,800 is, on the other hand, anticipated thus raising the total disbursements to Rs. 75,08,200.

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